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1. William Macomber, Department of State, telephoned to indicate Congressman Emilio Q. Daddario's (D., Conn.) interest in the Downey case. Macomber advised that Daddario wishes to take some kind of action and mentioned as a possibility a letter to the Chinese Communist government which Daddario would be happy to have gone over by the Department of State. Macomber stated he believed Daddario would not necessarily insist on seeing the DCI but that it should be at an appropriately high level. Macomber requested that he be kept advised of any action.

2. Nancy Hines in the office of Congressman James C. Wright, Jr. (D., Texas) telephoned to advise that the 10:30 date on Monday, 25 May, was acceptable to the Congressman. It was arranged that I would pick up the Congressman at 10:15.

3. Telephoned Colonel Vincent J. Adduci, Air Force L&L, to advise that Tuesday, 26 May, 1959, at ten o'clock would be an acceptable period for a briefing of a group of Air Force L&L officers. Colonel Adduci will make further arrangements and be in touch with the Agency. (The time was subsequently changed to 10:30.)

4. John Hoagland was telephoned in connection with the [] case. Representative Laurence Curtis (Mass.) had written to State requesting a report on an interview of [] by two representatives of the []. Hoagland indicated that Senator John F. Kennedy (Mass.) has now put in a letter on the same case referring to []. We discussed the possibility of bringing in Department of the Army and the matter was left in abeyance until further study of the case and action will then be coordinated.

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6. Spencer Beresford, Counsel for the House Science and Astronautics Committee, called to change the date of our appearance before the Committee from 1 June to 5 June. He said he had discussed our appearance with Chairman Brooks and learned that the Chairman would be out of town on the 1st. Dr. Scoville has been advised of this change in date.

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7. Mr. Beresford also stated that Congressman Anfuso's subcommittee will begin hearings on 28 May on the Soviet lunik shot. Anfuso's subcommittee will be concerned only with the shot itself and not with any background information. Anfuso would like to have the Agency submit a short paper (2-3 pages) containing a comparison of Soviet and United States space technology. The purpose of the paper would be to permit the subcommittee to better assess material concerning the Soviet shot. This has been discussed with [] (OSI).

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